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To the Members of the Public Safety and Security Committee:

I have attached the letter that I sent to Governor Lamont for your review. We are clearly opposed to opening this discussion again, it has been discussed and finally settled after 3 long years. Bridgeport has clearly benefited from the Pequot Fund and they have never incurred the expense that the City of Norwich has as a host community. The 5 host communities as defined by state law, have the most impact and have been underfunded by the legislature. Bridgeport has taken all the money and now they want the jobs as well.

The Mayor of Bridgeport past history of corruption does not match well with a casino. How can you provide assurances for the citizens of the State of Connecticut? This casino will lend itself to issues of fraud, graft or payoffs. These are real issues that need to be addressed.

Bridgeport alone has received over 1/4 of a billion dollars over 27 years.

We the taxpayers of the State are tired of paying for Bridgeport. I am asking you to vote no on House Bill 7055 "AA Creating the Connecticut Gaming Commission and Creating a Competitive Bidding Process for Resort Casino." Thank you.

Mayor Peter Albert Nystrom